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In re Appln. of: Steven Goldstein, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/734,096

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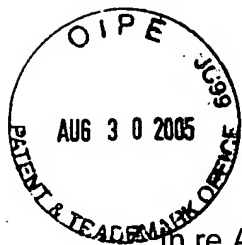
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THIRD SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicant hereby cites the following reference(s):

OTHER ART

Butler, D.L., et al., "Gamma Irradiation Effects on Allograft Mechanics", Symposium Biomechanics of Joints and Ligaments, Thursday July 14, 1994 Second World Congress of Biomechanics, Volume II, p. 89

Buxton, George V. et al., "Critical Review of Rate Constants for Reactions of Hydrated Electrons, Hydrogen Atoms and Hydroxyl Radicals (Oh/O) in Aqueous Solution", American Chemical Society and the American Institute of Physics for the National Bureau of Standards, p. 513-886 (1988)

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"Virus Inactivation in Plasma Products", Current Studies in Hematology and Blood Transfusion, (1989) 56:1-158

The above references were previously submitted to the Examiner with the Information Disclosure Statements filed on January 27, 2005 and March 2, 2005. However, the Examiner noted that the dates of the publication were not included with the listed references. Applicant now provides the appropriate dates of publication. Applicant notes that these citations are identical to those previously submitted in the two Information Disclosure Statements. Because the listed references were submitted prior to the issuance of the first Office action, Applicant believes that no additional fee is required in connection with this Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Applicant is enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet) along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). As the listed references are in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3). Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner's consideration of the above references and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicant is attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

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REFERENCE DESIGNATION

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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